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William HAND, and Dene BALDWIN.

Title:

SCREENING DEVICE AND METHODS OF SCREENING IMMUNOASSAY TESTS AND AGGLUTINATION TESTS

Box Patent Application Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231 Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation-in-part application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of pending prior application:

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For:

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Group: N/A

Examiner: N/A

The disclosure of this prior parent application, as well as any applications from which this prior application may claim priority, is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53, the above-identified application is being submitted without the filing fee, and it is respectfully requested that this application be granted a serial number and filing date and that the undersigned be notified of the date by which the filing fee must be submitted. Enclosed are:

- [] A copy of the prior application in which no new matter is presented, including the oath or declaration.
- [X] Specification, Claims and Abstract (for a continuation-in-part application)
- [] Declaration or Oath (for a continuation-in-part application)

[X] Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53, this application is being filed without the declaration or oath. Please notify the undersigned of the due date for submitting the declaration or oath. A Power of Attorney in favor of the undersigned will be submitted later. Please direct all telephone calls to the undersigned at telephone number (616) 381-1156. Please address all correspondence to:

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- [X] 16 Drawing Sheets [X] Formal Informal
- [X] Priority is claimed under 35 USC 119 based on United Kingdom Application No. 9815302.6, filed July 14, 1998.
 - [] The certified copy has been filed in prior application Serial No. , filed .
- [] An Amendment Before First Office Action is enclosed. (Claims added are numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim.)
- [] Information Disclosure Statement
- [X] Copy of WO 00/04381.

[X] Acknowledgment Postal Card

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The undersigned is: [] an attorney of record in the prior application

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Respectfully submitted,

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